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I. Military SituationHighlights

Troops of the US 1st Cavalry Division linked up with the US 187th Airborne Regiment in the Sunchon area, while elements of the ROK 6th Division entered Sunchon from the east in an encircling move. Pyongyang has been secured. ROK I Corps troops continue their northward and eastward advance beyond Hungnam.

Ground

The US I Corps secured the North Korean capital of Pyongyang. A reinforced battalion of the 8th Cavalry Regiment has linked up with elements of the 187th Airborne Regiment in the Sunchon region. ROK II Corps units continued their drive to the west from Yangdok, and units of the ROK 6th Division made contact with US forces in Sunchon. On the east coast, the ROK Capital Division made further gains to the northeast and northwest of the Hamhung-Hungnam industrial area. The 18th Capital Regiment reached Tangpung, more than 30 miles north of Hamhung. An enemy force estimated at 2,000 cut UN lines of communication on the east coast in the Kojo area below Wonsan. The US IX Corps reports that prisoners of war name the South Korean city of Chunchon slightly below the 38th Parallel as the assembly area for North Korean troops attempting to escape to the north. Considerable harassing activity by enemy groups continues throughout South Korea and occupied North Korea.

Navy

On the east coast bad weather hampered mine-sweeping activities in the Wonsan area and reduced the number of sorties flown by aircraft from UN carriers. In the west, a UN naval force, including two carriers, continued to patrol off the North Korean port of Chinnampo.

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**Air**

UN air forces flew 428 sorties, 205 being combat. Light and medium bombers attacked targets of opportunity and lines of communication. Reconnaissance aircraft in the Sinuiju-Antung area report flak (estimated to be 90mm) coming from the Manchurian side of the border.

**II. General Situation**

The North Korean Communist radio announced that the capital has been moved from Pyongyang to the border city of Sinuiju.

A recent economic report from Seoul states that President Rhee, on the representations of US economic advisors, has reversed his recently reported stand and now intends to continue the land reform program which was under way at the time of the invasion.

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